

SATURDAY, February 16, 1828.

The house met. Were present, the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill passed by this house yesterday, entitled, An act to regulate sales by public auction, was sent to the senate for concurrence.

The Speaker announced a message from the senate, delivered by the clerk thereof yesterday, returning the joint resolution for commemorating the birth of the illustrious Washington; endorsed, "assented to." Ordered, that the said resolution be engrossed.

The Speaker communicated to the house a report from the collector of the taxes of Calvert county to the general assembly, of the number of deaf and dumb which he had ascertained to be in said county; transmitted in conformity with the act of assembly passed at the last session, chapter 255; which was referred to the committee on education.

Mr. McNeill presented the petition of Thomas Stallings, and others, securities of Thomas Pollard, former sheriff of Allegany county, praying to be released from the debt due the state by said Pollard; which was referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Hughes of Montgomery, presented a petition from sundry citizens of Montgomery county, in behalf of Margaret Waters of said county, praying for a law authorising the levy court of said county, to levy a small sum of money for her relief; which was referred to the standing committee on the subject to which it relates.

Also the petition of Mary Watkins, of Montgomery county, widow of the late Leonard Watkins, who was a soldier of the revolutionary war, praying that the pension heretofore granted to her said husband for his military services in that war, may be continued to her; which was referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

And the petition of sundry citizens of Montgomery county, counter to the petitions of sundry other citizens of said county, praying for the repeal of the act passed at the last session of the legislature, providing for the repair of the public roads in said county; which was referred to the committee already appointed on that subject.

Mr. Martin having asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill to be entitled, An act to authorise the levy court of Talbot county to levy a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned; it was, on his motion, Ordered, That a select committee consisting of three members be appointed to prepare and report the same. Messrs. Martin, Millis and Lloyd, were appointed the said committee.

On motion by Mr. Tilghman, it was Ordered, That the com-